

Academic Year: (2021 / 2022)

Review date: 09-06-2021

Department assigned to the subject: Humanities: History, Geography and Art Department, Social Sciences Department

Coordinating teacher: BRANCIFORTE MAZZOLA, LAURA MARIA

Type: Basic Core ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : 2 Semester : 1

Branch of knowledge: Social Sciences and Law

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

In the first part of the course, the most important historical processes of international relations up to the 2nd World War are examined. The contents of the course from the Social Sciences is to introduce the student to the principal features and trends of global politics after the Cold War.

PART 1: HISTORY

1. The Westphalia system
2. The Vienna Congress
3. The Bismarckian system
4. From the Armed Peace and the Great War to the Paris peace
5. The new order after the 1st World War and the Society of Nations
6. Diplomacy and the effects of World War II
7. The Origins of the European Union

PART 2: THEORY

1. Principal trends in the international balance of power since the Cold War. The evolution of US power in the 21st Century.
2. The problems of global governance in the post-Cold War era. Principal debates with respect to the institutional structure, influence, and objectives of the United Nations.
3. Globalization I: Debates, definitions, and the emergence of new transnational actors in global politics. The role and power of the multinational corporation in the global economy.
4. Globalization II: The emergence of new regional economic powers and China's trajectory in the 21st Century.
5. Globalization III: Implications of globalization for international economic inequality and the problems of poverty and underdevelopment in the southern hemisphere.
6. Global terrorism and the problems of international cooperation.
7. Global environmental change and the problems of international cooperation

% end-of-term-examination: 50

% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 50

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Joseph E. Stiglitz, Globalization and its Discontents Revisited: Anti-Globalization in the Era of Trump, , Penguin, 2017
- Orville Schell and John Delury Orville Schell and John Delury, Wealth and Power: China's Long March to the Twenty-First Century, , Abacus, 2016
- J. Baylis, Steve Smith y Patricia Owens, The Globalization of World Politics , Oxford University Press, 2019, 8th edition

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Dani Rodrik The Globalization Paradox: Why Global Markets, States, and Democracy Can't Coexist, Oxford University Press, 2012
- Henry Kissinger Diplomacy, Pocket Books, 1994
- Ricardo Martín de la Guardia (ed.) The EU in th21st Century, Springer, 2012